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THE WEATHER TODAY,



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The weather fore easter predicts the continuation of the fall of rain during to day and tonight for the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia It is expectedthaton8unday the skies will clear, and that it will be generally fair. It will be slightly cookr Sup day night

SOOD AFTERNOONS

The Cubans are going to raise cane in The situation in Crete is what you might

We are having a little spring, or rather pomp, weather.

The Kentucky Berry regards itself as

There are easier ways to loot the Treas ury than reaching it through sewers.

The boys seem to be growing sour apple trees for Mr. Davis all along the lin

Mr. Happy is afraid of the Postoffice De partment until the stamps are counted. With two Spermans in the Cabinet, Lon-

bard steet will be confused but happy. As a speculative philetalist Uncle Sam

has not made much of a success to far. In the appointment of chimney sweeps

the Commissioners have quite ignored Ohio Ex-Champion Sullivan should consult J.

P. Morgan and get a reorgani-mon-It begins to look as if England's purpose to build and control the canal would be suc

If the French should take Siam, there will be somebody there to protect American

The Interstate Commerce Committee will hear the scalpers. It ought to be the Indian

Our philanthropic lobby should take deep interest in the ex-queen's crown land settle-

ment claim. There is no doubt that jadies would make Several of them are mit good diplomats.

In the interests of morality we deplore the Indiana editorial monopoly of the Paris consulate general.

than other people

Mr. Lymna Gage's early contributions to Democratic campaign literature for 1900 are much appreciated.

Having cornered coffee and sugar, the Havemeyers will now be ready to capture the milk business

The active training with crowbars and plate glass windows of the local champion should make Mr. Corbett uneasy.

If South Carolina sets the pace of kicking on stelen States, Maj. McKinley may have to fortify the White House

The boiler-plate newspapers of Iowa are already beginning to clamor for Hon-Tama Jim Wilson's syndicated agricultural reports

A Stanbury, Mo., young woman was commissioned a notary public on her twenty-first birthday; which will enable the other Stanbury girls to keep tab on the young Indy's age.

It was the Hon. Joseph Beaton Foraker, of Ohio, who declared "Prosperity will come within twenty minutes after McKinkey's election." But this was probably twenty minutes by the old clock on the

It was too much to expect the Missouri legislature, which adopted without a whimper the dress suit as the proper article of wearing apparel after 6 o'clock in the morning, to Ceclare the game of football

SEX IN DIPLOMACY.

If it be true that a Eoston lady member of the bar has applied to Major McKinley for the post of Minister to the United States of Colombia, he should not lose a moment in announcing his favorable decision. The President-elect regards him self and wishes to be regarded as an up to-late man. Nobody will so consider him unless he evinces a disposition to do something for the ladies. They are doing so much for themselves, as well as for the country, that they deserve recognition and reward. Major McKinley must not think that he has done everything required of him in this direction merely by inviting several estimable old indies to seats at the Cabinet table, more active measures are required of him. We had hopes at one time that he would have a lady Senstor from Utah on his bands. Pailing in that we must that he ought to have at least

one lady Envey in his midst. And why not? By nature the centler ex are born diplomats. As a rule they have not yet learned to hold as much Cognac and champague as the conventions of diplomatic intercourse require of am bassadors to imperial or royal sovereigns Dut with a little practice they might be

trusted to do the medium polite thing as disters resident near the governments of entral or South American States

Diplomats everywhere have to smok igars and eigarettes, which is not a diffiult accomplishment. American envoys have not universally known the language of the country to which they have been sent. As a rule their functions are peaceable and social. They have only to keep quiet and ignore any affronts or outrages which may be offered to or visited upon their flag and countrymen. As to questions of official policy or action, there is always a British minister or representative of some sort who knows just what they ought to do, and his assistance is often valuable. In a general way affability and innocent duplicity are the winning cards in diplo macy. For the first it is safe to back the ladies every time. The second they might learn with study, perhaps; but we are a little doubtful about their present possession of that necessary prerequisite

#### POPE LEO XIII.

The alarming state of health which cable grams from Rome ascribe to His Holines Pope Leo XIII, while not calculated to cause surprise, considering the Pontiff's advanced years, nevertheless will be regard ed with regret and sympathy throughout

One of the greatest statesmen of the generation, the present Pope has been able, in spite of the crippled political condition of the papacy, to impress his personality open the march of European events from the day of his accession to the throne of St. Peter. His efforts invariably have been directed to the promotion of peace and concord among the nations. As prince, bishop and man be has worked hard and ably to further the great dream of his life, which has been to secure the unification of Christianity; to bring together in fraternal accord all the scattered children of the Faith. In laboring to this end he has won the respect of those who regard the object as unattain able, but honor the Christian spirit which actuated him in the effort. The Pope has always been known as an ardent admirer of America and of American institutions. A great and a good man will pass away from Earth when Leo XIII is called to his

### GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN:

The Times feels very well this aftersoon. Its circulation is large and free, its face written all over with stalles of prosperity and contentment. And all The Times' attaches are happy, too-from the very top story of the composing room to the bottom of the subcellar, where the great perfecting presses rattle off copies of the paper faster than the eye can follow them. And how energetic and busipesslike all of these Times people arethe various editors; the reporters, harrying about town gathering up, smoothly and discreetly, all the news of the day for the delectation of our readers; all of the clerks in the business office; all of the advertising men, with their money-making ideas all of the newsboys, even, with their bound less enterprise and their pluck!

If there is one thing which more than all others can bring back general prosperity it is fortitude, and with it faithfortitude to struggle, and work still hard er, and think still more intently; and faith to believe that all these qualities will surely win-as certainly they will.

## AN IMPROVED MEASURE.

The Conference Committee on the Immi gration Bill has probably succeeded in eliminating about everything calculated These continued cashier episodes tend to kill its chances of final passage, and it any other, and more about it than he did not be helief that banks are no smarter row seems likely to become a law harring about affairs at the Capitol. There was to the belief that banks are no smarter | now seems likely to become a law, barring the risk of Executive disapproval, which probably is not great.

The leading features of the change in conference renders eligible to admission the illiterate wife of an eligible immigrant husband. That is just and right. If the bread winner, the responsible nead of the family, is a desirable immigrant, the mere fact of inability to read on the wife's part never ought to shut per out. That would be cruel and brutal. Inability to cook, sew and sweep would be far more sensible reasons for exclusion, than illiteracy. In its present form the immigration measure is much improved.

## JOKES OF OUR OWN

"Dish ar reckless expenditure business is funny," remarked Uncle Absolom. 'Now, I is opposed to it just as much as down' think I has no right to w'ar dis dress. suit an' stovepipe hat, an' carry dis silk handkercher. I mought as well go ter de Bradley-Martin ball, an' be done wif it. ....

"I say," said Snooks, confidentially, "did you ever see a new woman?" "Never," said Brooks, "except in the new journalism."

"He was a wfully careless about his dress, was old Mr. Moneybogs." "Yes, the only suit that ever really semed to fit him was a lawsuit,"

> Little drops of sugar, By the hundred share. Make the losers swear.

Little things of this kind, Defliy brought to pass, Make the fortunes out of Unsubstantial gas.

"Mr. Cleveland." said the patent medicine man, "do you ever have that tired "Yes," said the great man, after a mo

ment of startled wonderment as to how the intruder got in. "I have it now." "And what do you do for it?" "Young man, I go duck hunting. That is all the testimonial that you will get here.

Helned the Slaves Get Free, Jonathan Drake, who died at Leoninster Mass., a few days ago, was an active aboli tionist. He was a personal friend of Garri son, Wendell Phillips and George Thomp son, M. P., and his house was a station "underground railway" through

which slaves made their escape from the South. When the noted Shadrack escaped from Boston courthouse in 1951 he went by Drake, who dressed the negro in wom an's clothes and assisted him on to Canaca James Jackson, a slave of Jefferson Davis.

No hats at theaters, says the Jeweler Circular, means an increased demand for

### ACQUAINTANCES OF YOURS

It is sending a thrill of expectancy, not to say of real satisfaction, out in deep twinges all over the country, that Hon, James J. Goudey, of Indiana, is a candidate for some thing fine. Mr. Goudey is an Indiana gen tleman who has a bunch of "yaller whisker pertaining to his chin," and they are great. Mr. Peffer's beard has attracted attention in the past, and the luxuriant and luxurious (and also the luxuriating) spinnakers of Hon. Wash. Hesing, of Chicago, are a subject of many pleasant fibes. The whiskers of Mr. Goudey. however, are of the chin variety, more like Senator Tom Carter's, though their circumference is larger and their tinge

It must not be inferred, however, that Col. Goudey is any of your Hoosier countrymen. He is not. He has been chairman of the mittee, and he knows a thing or two about Benjamin Harrison and Louis T. on the one hand, and another thing or two about Col. Fairbanks, of Inolis, and Rile McKeen, of Terry Hut Col. Goudey is not a journalist, and could not write home from abroad, as John C. New and Col. Morss have done, and also Col. Henry Watterson has done, furid descriptions of the Red Mill or any other old mill. But if it came to real diplomacy your Hoosier would not be found to slouch a little bit.

The rubicund Jimmy Reynolds, secretary of the Republican State committee achusetts, has been in Washington for a day or two trying to secure speakers for dinner to be eaten in Boston before long; and that is no joke, either. Col. Reynolds used to be a Washington corre-spondent, and the attention attracted by his dispatches (which usually went by mail) to the Boston Advertiser, one of Congressman Barrett's two papers (both dails) was only equaled by the attention which Col. Reynolds attracted among the quiete and more thoughtful young who graced Washington society at the time he lived here. It is an uncle of Col. Reynolds who owns the biggest paper manufacturing con cern in this country, or the world, probably, a great group of mills up in New York State ewhere; and if it should happen that tician should inherit a few millions, there to enjoy them more.

"You observe," said a well-informed Rhode Islander yesterday, "that Senster George Peabody Wetmore gave a dinner the other night. Doubtless he has given many since he has been Senator, but I can't help recalling a grand reception that he gave in his \$2,000,000 palace at Newport when he was governor of khode Island. It is anold story and I have told it many times, but you have got to listen. It was a popular reception, and the farmers and fishermen of the neighborhood tramped in through those palatial halls with their cow-hide boots on and with mud on them. Some one objected to Gov ore that this sort of thing would spoil the draperies, and that the and the mud would make the carpets look sick; and couldn't the thing be stopped, how? Wetmore declared: 'I don't give a damn what they do if

the grab only holds out!" 'Now, I want to know if these grave and reverend seigneurs understand that, while of course tiov. Wetmore was elected as a Republican, he is one of the finest old fashioned Democrats in the world. Who would have said a thing like that but a of Who but a real Democrat' No natter if he is worth so many mills that he hardly cares to count them. No natter if he is sheltered by a two million ioliar affair of a house at Newport, I tell you he is the real stuff.

First we thought the private secretary would be Perry Heath and then we didn't know but it would be Col. Bob Wynne But it seems not. We are already told that Coi. Beath is to be consul general to Paris, and if something good doesn't fall out of the large end of the cornucopia for virtue unrewarded. It was telegraphedurse everybody says that it is wired, but of course it is not wired, it is tele graphed-from Canton, and it was tele graphed early that Col. Heath was to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. That was credible. Col. Heath has always known more about the Treasury Department than millions and the silver dumping ground containing at least 600 millions of standard silver dollars) that niways appealed to The salary at Paris is good and the work important, though it will seem many here that one with a smile like Col. Perry Heath's and one with such a winning. tial way with him, could have done Major McKinley far more good by standing at his elbow and keeping the door open-

It seems impossible to at least 6,560 of his friends here that Col. Ned Hay could really have been in contempt of court, or in contempt of anything, in this disagreeable Mansfield business. Doubtless all of the details have not yet been given out to an anxious public; but several anxious inquirers have submitted their surmises. The most plausible explanation is that Col. Hay was himself deceived by Mr. Mansfield: who, owing to his experience as a lightning change artist, may have appeared at one moment as a kind of Dr. Jekyll and at another as a sort of Mr. Hyde. It may be that Col. Hay himself did not appear at the critical moment in his proper person. He may have been mistaken for a lawyer, when, in reality, he was an ex-Exalted Ruler of the Elks; and he may have been supposed to be a humorist; when, in very truth, he was engaged in at out the third act of a deep, dark tragedy of hard work. It is assumed by a large majority of his friends that Col. Hay will represent himself in court on all occasions, and they submit that there will be nothing inappropriate in this, nor anything intended to contravene the dear old adage that a lawyer who defends himself in court has a fool for a client because if Col. Hay is a lawyer, he is just as much vocalist and teacher of elocution, and a grand exalted Elk, and a comedian and a tragedian, all in one, just as much

A Slumber Song. Slumber, slumber, little one, now The bird is askeep in his nest on th bough; The bird is asleep; he has folded his wings, And over him softly the dream-fairy

sings: Lullaby, lullaby-lullaby! Pearls in the deep-Stars in the sky, Dreams in your sleep; So, lullaby!

Simber, slumber, little one, soon The fairy will come in the ship of th The fairy will come with the pearls and the stars.

And dreams will come singing through shadowy bars: Lullaby, lullaby—lullaby! Pearls in the deep— Stars in the sky.

Dreams in your sleep;
So, lullaby!

Slumber, slumber, little one, so; The stars are the pearls that the dream-fairies know, The stars are the pearls, and the birds in

the nest,
A dear little fellow the faires love best:
Lullaby, lullaby—lullaby!
Pearls in the deep—
Stars in the sky,
Dreams in your sleep;
So, lullaby!

-Frank Dempster Sherman, in Ladies Home Journal.

# A MUSEERIOUS VISITOR.

Declaring That John Wilkes Booth To the Editor of The Times:

Lately there has been recalled to my memory the many little interesting oc-currences which happened during the thirteen years when I lived in the old house I have often heard it argued that Booth was never killed by Boston Corbett, and that he is still living. Many different stories, told by as many men, have been published in the daily-papers; still, they have all so varied in facts that the public has been reluctant to accept them It does not appear likely, however, that a man dying, as, is reported topher C. Ritter in St. Mary's Hospital. Anderson, Ind., should repeat th dentical story, told him in Syracuse, N.

Y., nearly three years ago. I was, in '91, while comfortably sented in the room in which President Lincoln died, that the beil of the front door rang A few minutes later the servant informed me that a gentleman desired to see the room in which the martyred President As we were daily besieged by peopie who came with the same request, a which proved very annoying to our private life, I told the servant to tell the gentleman that the room was occupied, and could not be seen. The servant, however, returned with word that the gentleman aid he must see the room. I was at first inclined to repeat my assertion, when prompted by curiosity to see the individual who attached so much importance o seeing the room, caused me to admit

A tall man with his hat on entered, ooking curiously around, and said

"So, this is the room he died in?" Having risen from my chair as he en ered, and being enraged at the audacity of the fellow for having entered the room without taking his hat off, I stood glaring at him. As I said before, he was tall, a man of about fifty-five or more; his face was clean shaven and his hair gray. Son thing in the man's face seemed familiar to pe, although I did not at the time know what it was.

"This room is a d-d fake lie," he suddenly broke out, "and Booth that killed Lincoln is not dead, you hear me!" With these last words he shot a gleam at me from those black eyes of his and was soon gone. After this strange individual had left and I had fully thought over the ridicu-lous words uttered I tried to place his face. for I felt positive that I had seen it before. A few months later I read an acc

coming from St. Louis that Edwin Booth had been on several occasions seen with a man bearing a strong resemblance to his dead brother, John Wilkes Booth, paper then further stated that the two had been locked up in a private room of the noted for hours, where they held long conversations. Reading this account, I prooured a photograph of the assassin, and found that, although the picture was that of Booth when a young man, it fore a strong resemblance to my mysterious visitor of a few months before

Would it not be wise to get to the bottom of the statement made by Mr. Ritter and investigate the matter to the fullest extent?

The story telft by this man corresponds fully with the historical facts of the assussination. There are but few who today betieve in the guilt of Mrs. Surratt, and if anything could be done to establish the in nocence of this woman it would prove a concolation to her daughter, now living, and ber grandchildren. Father Walter, to his dying day, believed in the innocence of Mrs. Surratt. Judge Holt never forgot the wrong he did Mrs. Surratt, and consequently never knew what it was to have sence thereafter.

Why does not Prof. Weideman, of the Anderson Normal University, say a few words of vindication? That gentleman hould try to right the wrong he did; for it was his evidence that sent Mrs. Surrati to the gallows, an innocent woman. The Col. Wynne it will be the rankest case of hanging of Mrs. Surratt is looked upon by many as the blackest spot in the American H. R. SCHADE

## Steve Crane Again.

A man walked amid the noise of a great A confusioned throb of shouts burst upon by a shrill whistle, the whole commingled in a grand, swelling, thundering murmur that stirred the heavy air and thrummed with numbing vibrations into his senseles

Also some slimy, viscous, thickened stuff called water. It fell upon the man, "An," he said ecstatically and he wiped the giutinous drops from his bedraggled

beard with a handkerchief of a hissing

O'er head the eddying smoke swirled n grotesque ribbons A heavy bunk sank chokingly around the

"Ugh!" he said, and shrank into a doorway. A stranger cried: "Hello, --- , have you seen the tunnel explos--

And the man smote him. 'B'gosh," he said, "I read the papers,"

# and he bought one.

A Slipper and Fan Bag. A slipper and fan bag is very conven ent for a young girl to carry to a dance, for into it she may slip so many articles that add greatly to her comfort. To be really satisfactory it should be of generous size, and may be made as follows: Purchase one yard of brocaded silk, of a medium shade, and one yard of plain ilk, of some prettily-contrasting color. Make a hag of each piece, and slip to gether, so that the seams are all invisible, leaving a smooth and well-finished bag Turn the right side over, forning a deep hem. In this run two rows of sitching and pass an inch-wide ribben through, so that it may be drawn at either A pocket may be added to the inside, into which a buttonhook and sho horn may be slipped; also one for a comb A very pretty b brocade silk and lined with blue, or of black, lined with a pretty shade of pink and may be divided through the center so that the fan and slippers do not com in contact with each other.

Thoughts From Goethe, Nature, whose mighty power bath fix'd the rock, gives to the wave its instability. It is ever true that he who does nothing

or others, does nothing for himself. We are not little when circumstances trouble us, only when they overpower us. If your conscience is free, so are you. He alone is great and happy who fill his own station of independence, and has neither to command nor to obey.

To repair is more difficult than to de Fortune gives courage.

Malice seeks not reasons, but pretexts. Love is capable of much, but duty is of Plunge blodly into life, its dephths dis-

Each lives it, not to many is it known. What's done is past. What's past is done. Strong as is law, necessity is stronger. Good it seems to me In one's own day a stalwart man to be.

The deed is everything, the fame is naught. Rich interest bears the generous deed. Man's self is man! Who would be thron'd Of the high honor must be worthy found.

Take courage! Naught is lost as yet; Patience unties the hardest knot.

### KING OSCAR, UMPIRE

The present representative of the Berna dotte family, Oscar of Sweden, is baying rather an uncomfortable time with the Nor-wegian half of his subjects, who are jealous of his too openly shown preference for Sweden.

From a recent description of Christiania the capital of Norway, it is not surprising that King Oscar should be inclined to make his sojourns there of the briefest, no mat ter how mistaken he may be in allowing himself to be influenced by his feeling in such a matter. Christiania is said to be "a rude village of log bouses, principall naintained by the circular-ticket British tripper. The society is made up of bar baric farmers, timber dealers and pur veyors of dry cod, with picturesque head and piggish manners. The city possesses also a school of dyspeptic dram write nasty plays, and an authentic viking ship, which can be seen on payment of

Stockholm, on the contrary, has been called the "Venice of the North," and is the prettiest capital in Europe. In summer the wealthy inhabitants retire to their Suits, Overcoats country houses on the fjords, and leave and Ulsters for - the city to the undisputed possession of tourists, chiefly American. But in the vinter time Stockholm society is more brilliant in many respects than that of London, Paris or Vienna, and the king is its brightest and central constellation Even his enemies admit that there is no more polished gentleman in Europe, and that there are few more profound scholars than Oscar Bernadotte. As a ruler of a dual kingdom, however, he has made decided failure.

The Crown Prince of Sweden has been trained—as his father, a third son; was not—to the kingship, and has the contempt of the specialist for his parents' varied pursuits. He is, however, a gloomy man, "capable, respected and distiked, and has not been more successful than his father in gaining the affections of the Norwegians. Not long ago it was reported in Norway that the crown prince had made some slighting remark about that country acrossa 8 wedish dinnertable. Immediately his Norwegian revenues were stopped until such time as he should see fit to apole gize, deny or explain. This had the effect of putting the young man on his lignity, and his reply was, "Gentlen whatever I may have felt inclined to de before you made your proviso, it is quite out of the question that I should make statement now." The Norwegian ex chequer has been the gainer.

#### LYMAN GAGE AS A SINGLE TAXER He Contributed to the Cause at One

Time-The Circumstances. (From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.) Lyman J. Gage is accused of being a ingle-taxer. He is said to believe in the theory of Henry George, that land and not enterprise should bear the burden of revenue for government. The accusation has foundation. The circumstances sur-rounding the basis are interesting. They as be given on the authority of the Missouri apostle of this great reform, Mr. H. Martin

lected Delaware for the dog. They proposed to furnish the country with an ob extlesson on the operation of their panacea. for the ills of the times. The orators descended upon the peach orchards and terrapin farms, and created a disturbance in public sentiment. Delaware has some ancient laws and penalties, including the whipping post. Something was found to fit the crime of preaching progress and poverty. Single-tax orators were arrested for holding unlawful assemblages and were locked up. This persecution had the usual effect of stimulating believers in other parts of the country to increased efforts In Western cities committees went around with subscription books and pleaded for contributions to carry on the work of political economy in Delaware. One day collector with more nerve than judgment, as it seemed, went into the First National Bank of Chicago, laid a subscrip-tion blank before President Lyman J. Gage and calmly awaited the result. Mr. Gage read the heading andlooked the visitor over with amazement.

'You didn't expect to get anything here for that cause, did you?" the banker asked. The solicitor replied that there were number of people in this country who and that he didn't know but Mr. Gage might have been impressed the same way At any rate, he felt it would do no harm let the banker have an opportunity Certainly, the times were out of joint and something was needed to set them right, "Yes." said Mr. Gage, with a little bit "I can agree with you that

Then he thought a moment, and added: "Delaware is a long way from Chicago It isn't a very large State. If you cople think you have found the way out. don't know but it will do as little harm to try it on Delaware as anywhere else Here's \$100"

Odd Items From Anywhere, Jacksonville. Fla., is to have a baby show for colored infants.

An eccentric Biddeford, Me., man has lived on one apple a day for a month. Massachusetts had the largest foreign born population. New York is second. In 1895 California produced \$15,000,000

worth of gold and Colorado \$13,300,000 Florida, of all the States, has the most water within its boundaries, 4,400 square

It is estimated that there are 5,000 men and horses at work on the ice on the Kennebec, Me., River. The production of amber in Germany

100 tons more than in the previous year. William E. Coake of Portsmouth, R. 1. who recently celebrated his 100th birth day, says that he has chewed tobacco for eighty-two years.

A Philadelphia groceryman complains oudly to the courts that he can sit in his window and count dozens of people on bicycles riding merrily by, while they owe him grocery bills. -

The ivory market at Antwerp, organize scarcely five years ago, has become the largest one in the world-larger than the other great markets, that of London and that of Liverpool.

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#### NEW SHOWS COMING

It is well that a man should so journ for time in the merry field of ministrelsy an farce before he tries legitimate comedy, for then he will not take his comedy too seriously, and will bring to it some of the rollicking fun and unctuous dramatic methods that characterize these other branches of the art. Nat Goodwin climb a little higher with every new play. Ills latest, "An American Citizen," has been highly appreciated. Mr. Goodwin comes ack with laurel wreaths piled upon his auturn head. Maxing Elliott is in the ompany. Many people will go to the National next week simply to see her.

Henry E. Dixey comes to the Lafayette Square next week in Frohman's company, in "Thoroughbred." This particular play sone that Mr. Dixey likes, and likes hir in it. "Thoroughbred" portrays the experiences of a pious old gentleman who goes to a horse race without telling it beforehand. One of the names in the cast, that of Moss Frances Stevens, will be remembered by every one who attended the summer entertainments at the National It is curious how every member of that stock company gets welcomed back to Washington

McDonough and Kennedy produce "Siberia," by Bartley Campbell, at the Grand next week. The plays that we have had this season furnish a fairly good geographcai entertainment. Nearly every civilize ountry in the world has been represented on the stage, except Russia, and now we are to have that. The moonlight scene in the Jewish quarter at Moscow is said to be remarkably fine It is not exactly practical sometimes

that the gentleman who personates the sero of a play should also be an expert acrobat. Not only would exceptional tal ent be necessary, but there is a risk of life and limb. This is the case in "The Sidewalks of New York." Speedy, who im personates the hero in the third act, cannot act, but he can dive, and this he does. That is one feature of this very lively play at the Academy.

"The Brand of Cain," which comes next week to the Pijou, has an interesting title. t is a sort of tragedy of errors. orothers look just alike, and one of them s good while the other is had. Of course he bad brother and the good brother get nevitably mixed, and it takes the who evening to mete out to each the fate he teserves for his behavior. The scene aid in Spain and England.

The vaudeville company which comes to Kernan's next week has never been here before; but it is all right; New York says it is. They were detained eight weeks in that town. They call themselves the Fobics Bobemian Burlesquers, and there is something in the very word Bohemian which is gay and light-hearted and alto gether picturesque. "Life in Fohemia," the musical skit which opens the entertainment, purports to show the Bohemians to us just as they are. The cust includes Hill Sisters, Billy Van and Vevi Norbriga and the only Mae Lowery

Mr. John L. Stoddard continues to dray large and happy audiences to hear him ecture on the various ends of the earth Perhaps the thought will some time suggest itself to Mr. Stoddard that he might as well stop advertising. It seems as if t would be hard to keep people away from the Stoddard lectures even then. This week he will continue to tell of Scotland, England and the Yellowstone, at the Columbia Theater.

Mrs. Cleveland, Secretary and Mrs. La nont and Mr. and Mrs. Dimmick, of New York, viewed the biograph at Willard's Hail yesterday afternoon in a party. They enjoyed it immensely, and joined heartil in the applause of the large audience.

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